

NOVEMBER 19, 2013

ROLL CALL: MARY BRADLEY, CARL ELLIS, SONNY JONES, KEN KERKHOFF, ANN MILLER AND OWEN ROBERTS WERE PRESENT. ALSO PRESENT WERE MAYOR BRIAN TRAUGOTT AND CITY ATTORNEY BILL MOORE.

DEPT. HEADS: WAYNE HAWKINS, BART MILLER, MATT MITCHELL AND ALLISON WHITE WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

MOTION BY ELLIS, SECONDED BY MILLER TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2013 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Ellis, Jones, Kerkhoff, Miller and Roberts voting aye.

Utilities Director Mitzi Delius presented the following emergency repair quotes for the Lexington Street sewer line replacement project:

Kenney, Inc.	\$ 79,905.00
ADE Contracting, Inc.	\$ 78,200.00
Walter Martin Excavating, Inc.	\$100,250.00

MOTION BY ROBERTS, SECONDED BY ELLIS TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE EMERGENCY REPAIR QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY KENNEY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,905.00 FOR THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE LEXINGTON STREET SEWER LINE REPLACEMENT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Ellis, Jones, Kerkhoff, Miller and Roberts voting aye.

Linda Ain (representing the City) presented the proposed Ordinance No. 2013-33 Creating and Establishing a Bid a Non-Exclusive Gas Franchise Agreement. Ms. Ain noted that she had met several times with Mr. Herb Miller, President of Columbia Gas as regards the language of such franchise agreement. Ms. Ain noted that several recommended inclusions by the City had been addressed and placed in the agreement. Ms. Ain noted that the proposed agreement calls for an initial ten year period with up to two additional extensions of time of five years and a return for payment of 3% of franchisee's gross annual revenues from the sale, distribution and delivery of gas within the City of Versailles. There was brief discussion of the Council that noted the City was required by statute to have a gas franchise agreement.

At the request of Council member Kerkhoff, City Attorney Moore gave first reading of Ordinance No. 2013-33 Creating and Establishing a Bid for Non-Exclusive Gas Franchise for the Placement of Facilities for the Transmission, Distribution and Sale of Gas for Heating and Other Purposes Within the Public Rights-of-Way of the City of Versailles for an Initial Ten (10) Year Period With Up to Two (2) Additional Extensions of Time of Five (5) Years Each, In Return for Payment to the City of Versailles of the Sum of At Least Three Percent (3%) of Each Franchisee's Gross Annual Revenues From the Sale, Distribution, and Delivery of Gas Within the City of Versailles and An Option to Increase the Free to An Amount Not to Exceed Five Percent (5%); All Effective on Date of Passage.

Russell Graves of the Abandoned and Blighted Property Committee presented the committee's 2014 Abandoned/Blighted Property Master list for Council approval. Mr. Graves further noted that the Committee had assessed each of the property's according the ordinance definition of blighted and/or abandoned property and also noted that color pictures of each of the properties were available from the Clerk's office. The properties listed were as follows:

**261 Church Street
202 Curry Court (Apartments)
204 Curry Court (Apartments)
201 Maple (Old Middle School)
209 MLK Blvd.
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213 Martin Luther King Blvd.
153 Morgan (Old Doctor's Office)
211 Morgan
Old Rubloff Property (12.72 Acres/Old Shopping Center)**

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**Old Rubloff Property (23.30 Acres/1/2 Developed)
221 Russell Avenue (Apartments)
449 Lexington Road (Hunter Property)
104 & 106 Elm (Old St. Leo School)
191 Broadway
159 Frankfort Street
160 Frankfort Street
125 Lexington Street
100 N. Main
336 Douglas Avenue
258 Douglas Avenue
214 East Green Street
139 N. Main Street
75 McCracken
225 Lexington Street**

MOTION TO APPROVE 2014 ABANDONED/BLIGHTED PROPERTY MASTER LIST OF 25 PROPERTIES AS PRESENTED.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Ellis, Jones, Kerkhoff, Miller and Roberts voting aye.

The Council took a brief break as the Sheriff's Office served the Mayor and Council members with a Civil Action Notice for Temporary Injunctive Relief by IBP 1, LLC vs. City of Versailles (Mayor/Council).

At the request of Council member Kerkhoff, City Attorney Moore gave first reading of Ordinance No. 2013-32 Amending the Classification and Compensation Plan of the City of Versailles, Kentucky to Include the Position of Information Technology Director and to Approve and Adopt the Qualifications and Salary Range of the Position of Information Technology Director.

Mayor Traugott noted that the bid award for the demolition of the Versailles Center would be postponed until the next Council meeting.

Public Works Director Bart Miller presented the following bid for a 1994 Ford 2-WD F-150 Extended Cab Pick-Up Truck (VIN #76754):

Ronnie Walton	\$637.81
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MOTION BY ELLIS, SECONDED BY ROBERTS TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE SOLE BID AS PRESENTED BY RONNIE WALTON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$637.81 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PUBLIC WORKS SURPLUSED 1994 FORD F-150 EXTENDED CAB PICK-UP TRUCK (VIN #76754).

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Ellis, Jones, Kerkhoff, Miller and Roberts voting aye.

MOTION BY ELLIS, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ANTHONY WILHOIT TO THE BOARD OF ETHICS FOR THE TERM BEGINNING DECEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2015.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Ellis, Jones, Kerkhoff, Miller and Roberts voting aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

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Bart Miller noted to the Council that each of them had received a copy of the revised Employee Safety Handbook for their review and action at the next meeting. Mr. Miller noted that the Employee Safety Handbook had not been updated since 2007.

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Mr. Miller announced that two (2) leaf trucks will be running every day until all leaves are gone. Mr. Miller further noted that there is no set schedule (i.e. pickup in a certain area on any given day).

Mayor Traugott requested that the Police/Fire Committee further review penalty violations for structures as relates to nuisance ordinances. Ms. Miller noted that she would schedule a meeting to review.

MOTON BY JONES, SECONDED BY MILLER TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Ellis, Jones, Kerkhoff, Miller and Roberts voting aye.

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY ELLIS TO RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND FURTHER NOTING THAT NO ACTION WAS TAKEN DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Ellis, Jones, Kerkhoff, Miller and Roberts voting aye.

Carl Ellis announced the “Love Lights a Tree” event, sponsored by the American Cancer Society to be held on December 9th at 7:00 p.m. at the Versailles Presbyterian Church.

MOTION BY ELLIS, SECONDED BY KERKHOFF TO APPROVE THE GENERAL LEDGER DISTRIBUTION LIST (BILLS) DATED NOVEMBER 19, 2013 AFTER THEY HAVE BEEN PROPERLY REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT HEAD, MAYOR AND CITY TREASURER.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Ellis, Jones, Kerkhoff, Miller and Roberts voting aye.

MOTION BY ELLIS, SECONDED BY BRADLEY THAT THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURN.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Ellis, Jones, Kerkhoff, Miller and Roberts voting aye.

APPROVED:

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BRIAN TRAUGOTT, MAYOR
CITY OF VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY**

ATTEST:

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ALLISON B. WHITE, CITY CLERK**